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BETTING AND HORSE RACING

A special committee of the Dominion House of Commons sat at Ottawa in January, 1919, to which was referred "An Act to Amend the Criminal Code," otherwise known as the "Miller Bill." On the action of Parliament on the work of this committee would depend the legality or otherwise of betting at race tracks in Canada. An interim report of the proceedings has been made to the Committee on Legislation of the Social Service Council of Canada. The report states that many millions of dollars were made by the Jockey Club of Ontario between 1910 and 1917, and that none of this had been devoted to the thoroughbred horse, but went into the pockets of the shareholders, either professional betting men, or men of high moral standing and exercising political influence. It may be mentioned that the reason given by the supporters of the race tracks was that racing was necessary for the development of the thoroughbred horse in Canada, and that horse racing could not be carried on without the incentive of betting. The report states that if this is the object of horse racing it has failed in its object, because the number of thoroughbred stallions enrolled in Ontario has diminished from 31 in 1913 to 19 in 1915. In the three years—1915-1917—the Ontario Jockey Club paid total dividends of \$10,000, and the Windsor Jockey Club \$46,000. In the half season of 1917 the seven principal tracks of Ontario passed through the betting machines \$1,557,751, from which the Jockey Club of Ontario took a rake-off of \$116,542.43.

The Hon. Mr. Fisher, Minister of Agriculture in the Laurier Administration, in his testimony before the House Committee said that the large majority of the race horses on the race tracks did not fulfil the condition which he thought was necessary for the improvement of stock. He said that the majority of them were weedy in character and fitted only for speed, and that the use of such animals for the improvement of our racing stock was not likely to be of any value. He said that the majority of them were weedy in character and fitted only for speed, and that the use of such animals for the improvement of our racing stock was not likely to be of any value. He said that the majority of them were weedy in character and fitted only for speed, and that the use of such animals for the improvement of our racing stock was not likely to be of any value.

Mr. E. C. Drury, now Premier of the Province, wrote the Committee that he was fully persuaded, from the standpoint of the fact that the race track betting was of no help whatever to the horse breeding industry in this country. Both Sir John S. Hendrie and Colonel William Smith asserted that the thoroughbred was necessary in Canada, and that track racing was necessary to the development or preservation of the thoroughbred.

This question must come before Parliament at an early date.

OUR BOARD OF COMMERCE

Our local Board of Commerce needs to be strengthened. It was a matter of one of the three members has resigned from the Board, and no one has taken his place. Col. Frank Morton, in our opinion, needs assistance. Many matters of a complex nature come before the Board, making it impossible for one man to intelligently investigate them. There are numerous trade systems, and shall we say trade secrets that only an expert can unravel or understand. The inquiry in the price of bacon has been an example. It is a pity that there is no one to help the Board in this matter. It is a pity that there is no one to help the Board in this matter. It is a pity that there is no one to help the Board in this matter.

So far as we could learn, the general custom in the bacon trade is to charge 10 per cent for overland expense and twenty cents in addition for profit. Moreover, we suppose, that a customer pays \$1.20 for every dollar that is paid to the farmer. We do not say that is too much. The question is how are those figures arrived at? It may be interesting to the general public, and to those who are paying the merchants for their purchases.

Give some thought to those money-bags that are to be voted upon next month.

LEACOCK IS RIGHT

The Times the other day published an article on Professor Leacock's criticism of the way in which the French language is taught in our schools and universities in Ontario. The professor had some harsh things to say about this branch of learning, but he sugar-coated his criticism with a few compliments. We learn by the Toronto Telegram that Prof. St. E. De Champ, Associate Professor of French at University College, chuckled with merriment at Leacock's article, saying that it was extremely amusing, but that there was a good deal of truth in it. "In fact," said the professor, "he is perfectly right." Continuing, he said: "It's not our fault, however. It's the fault of the system. The marvellous progress of the French language in the teaching of modern languages is concerned. It's this continual, everlasting translation. We have to teach according to the old methods of reading and translation, instead of teaching the live language as it were. Of course the criticism does not apply to the specialists. There are only twenty-five students each year who really know French. The average student who enters the course when he graduates speaks French with some ease, and can understand most of what is said to him, though when they enter the university only about one out of ten can write a simple letter in French, and only one out of ten can understand the grammar by heart, but unable to apply it."

Prof. De Champ's opinion appeared to be that the students got too much French grammar and too little of the language. They needed more oral practice in the classroom. They should be taught to converse and think in French.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Christmas is coming. Get ready! Let us not be elected by accident.

Let us have the names of the colder candidates as soon as possible.

The independent boards had better not present their annual budgets until Santa Claus leaves town.

The annexation of Honduras will bring home to us the fact that the ratcatchers are easily led astray.

Let us hope that the Rev. S. B. Russell will be elected by the Ontario School Trustees for No. 3 Ward.

The Dominion Government has set aside \$100,000 for the assistance of unemployed soldiers. How will the money be distributed?

We are told that in the old country the people are spending their money like a lot of drunken sailors. We thought that they were all starving.

Governor Colville, of Massachusetts, has been notified by his landlady that he must pay \$5 a month more rent if he were Governor of Ontario he would live in a palace and have no rent to pay.

Premier Borden has intimated that the railway employees will have a say in the management of the railway. These things mean that an employee will be put on the board of management.

The Toronto Telegram blames Sir Wilfrid Laurier for the defeat of Admiral Cradock at the battle of Coronel. If Sir Wilfrid had lived he would have been tried for cowardice, no doubt.

The Governor of Canada declares that lawlessness, particularly that fomented by pro-Germans and I.W.W. and Bolshevism, has become a menace to that part of the State. The sooner they are put to rest.

The Board of Commerce, sitting at Windsor, has made the statement that, in a general way, business throughout the country is transacted on an honest basis, but that there is considerable profiteering in the sale of all honest dealers to help the board punish those people.

If Your Votes Are Not In By December 17th

they will, of course, be wasted, whereas by bringing them in time to our contest manager you may be instrumental in placing your Church or favorite charity in a position to claim one of the cash awards. We have listed 100 contestants in each class and it is positively the truth that, so close is the contest, any one of these 100 may be the leader tomorrow. St. Peter's Church for instance was 100th of the class and through only a few votes rose to 8th place.

Bring the Children Down to THE ARCADE To see Santa Claus and His Funny Pals

Just go straight to the THIRD FLOOR. There is a department specially made for Santa during his stay at the Arcade.

Teddy the Bear, Leo the Lion and Alice in Wonderland have accompanied him.

—The Arcade, Third Floor.

\$6000 Worth of French Ivory Goods

A special purchase of French Ivory from the makers of the famous Dubarry and other high grade lines. The alarming scarcity of ivory goods, together with these prices makes this an event that will stirle all competition.

Reproductions of Real Ivory Ware That Are Astonishing

In weight, quality and finish these goods are remarkable pieces of workmanship. Many unusual designs, others plain patterns.

IN THE DUBARRY PATTERN. We have 3 beautiful cabinets containing all necessary pieces, at each

Truly an elegant gift.

We also have separate pieces in Dubarry, such as Hair Brushes, Mirrors, Combs, Manicure Pieces, Salve Jars, Hair Receivers and Puff Boxes, Jewel Boxes, Trays, Etc.

French Ivory Grain Toilet Goods

Hair Brushes \$2.50 to \$10.00
 Flat Brushes \$1.25 to \$2.50
 Comb Brushes \$2.00 to \$4.50
 Mirrors \$1.00 to \$10.00
 Combs 35c to \$1.75

Manicure Pieces 25c to 75c
 Trays 50c to \$10.00
 Clocks \$3.50 to \$10.50
 Talcum Holders 75c to \$2.00

Buff Boxes 50c to \$5.00
 Perfume Bottles 50c to \$4.50
 Salve Jars 25c to 75c
 Jewel Boxes \$1.25 to \$11.50
 Frames 50c to \$5.00

Extra Special—Comb, Brush and Mirror

Complete in satin lined cases, solid stock throughout at each

9.25 4-Piece Manicure Set 2.25

In satin lined case, at each

—The Arcade, Main Floor.

French Ivory

The Gift Worth While

BURLINGTON LADIES' AID

Put On a Most Successful Sale and Concert.

Mandolin and Guitar Club This Evening.

HAS SOLD OUT

Leading Stoney Creek Business Changes Hands.

John H. Lee, the well-known hardware man of Stoney Creek, has sold his four-story business to Samuel Platt and Son.

Mr. Lee has no plans for the future, so far as business enterprise is concerned, and has retired to his home in Stoney Creek, where he has been since the death of his wife.

Mr. Lee has been in the hardware business for many years, and has been successful in his career. He has been a member of the Stoney Creek Hardware Association, and has been active in its affairs.

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THE DAYLIGHT STORE THE ARCADE

OPEN SATURDAY NIGHT—CLOSED WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

THE STORE OF A MILLION GIFTS

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The Standing of the Churches

First Spiritual. Zion Tabernacle. St. Peter's Church. First Methodist. Gospel Tabernacle.

The Standing of the Charities

Home of the Friendless. Children's Aid. St. James' Anglican. St. Peter's Church. Christ's Church Cathedral. Knox.

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EARLY NAMING OF CANDIDATES

GIFTS FOR MEN

Just at this season of the year every Mother, Wife and Sweetheart has her troubles in selecting, making and baking for the Christmas day festival. With this list to guide you, the selection of wares suitable for men and boys is made easy.

GLOVES—Of silk, suede, buckskin, pigskin, tan cape, grey cape or wool.

NECKTIES—Placy knitted, plain knitted, tubular, woven, foulard, tapestry, or shot silk effects in greater color values than any peacock ever dreamed of.

SCARFS—Knitted silk, fibre silk, and brushed wool, woven silk in many varieties, any one of which makes a man a welcome present.

SILK HOSIERY—Black, blue, shot effects, silk and wool, cashmere, in black and heather or colored, are just as useful, and as necessary at a man's feet.

SUSPENSORS—With about six or more styles and three or more values in each, every man should be well supplied if his friends use good judgment.

ARM BANDS—These are the greatest little things that a man can have if he works in an office.

GARTER SETS—A man never knows how bad he needs new garters until, some morning, his break. It is then that he will remember your thoughtful present as he reaches into his dresser drawer and draws out this welcome gift.

CUFF LINKS—The new style snap links will appeal to married women. These are a sure cure for profanity. They also on easy and snap together still quicker. Every man needs a pair of Snap Cuff Links.

COLLAR BAGS—The handiest thing for men. Keeps their laundry neat.

UMBRELLAS—Gold or silver mounted ones are usually appreciated. You won't find many friends telling you they have too many umbrellas.

HANDKERCHIEFS—If you are a man, you know; if you are a woman, just notice that a man's handkerchief is as important to him as the size of his breeches is to a lady. Every man needs a pair of Snap Cuff Links.

WEATHER COATS—During the war the pull-over sweater made such a hit with the men that his sweetheart also had to have one, and even for the man in civilian they are most appreciated.

The list of good things for men is too long to record here, but at 15 James street north, readers of the Times will find only the select.

OAK HALL

10-12 James St. North



Just What You Want

No woman can go wrong when she selects her men's gifts here. Men can always use Neckties, Scarfs, Silk Shirts, Gloves or Pyjamas. Ask your Husband, or Sweetheart, or both. Ask him if men prefer sensible gifts, such as these listed below.

Women may come into this Men's and Boys' store and find just the finest assortment of so-called "Men's Furnishings" all of the kind men want. Things that we have been buying for men for all our years in business. Our advice may help you in selecting just the thing for "him." Come in, we will help and advise you.

Buy any of the beautiful, as well as sensible gifts for "him," which we have gathered here from the New York, London and Canadian markets, and he will say, "Well, my sweetheart surely has good sense." Note the offerings:



Silk Scarf for Andy

During four months of the winter every man must have a scarf around his neck. If he does not wear one, it's because someone has passed him by. Priced at

\$1.00 to \$9.00



Muffler for Arthur

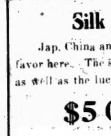
When the cold, January snow is whirling about your ears, Arthur will thank you for giving him one of these warm, fleecy, brushed wool Jaeger Mufflers. They are well worth

\$2.00 to \$4.50

Cuff Links for Ed.

How many odd cuff links have the men folk in your home got? Just ask them. Cuff links are as welcome to men as a plank to drowning sailors. Many varieties, including the handy snap style.

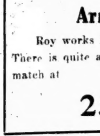
50c to \$2.50



Silk Shirt For Bob

Jap, China and English Silk Shirts all strive for your favor here. The styles are in variety that will please you, as well as the lucky Bob who gets one. Priced from

\$5.00 to \$15.00



Armbands For Roy

Roy works in an office and these will suit him fine. There is quite a variety to select from, with garters to match at

25c to \$1.50

Collar Bag for Geo.

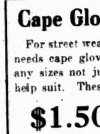
Collars soon soil if left loose in a drawer. They come home from the laundry rolled just the right size for these collar bags, which George will be pleased to receive. Silk lined, at

\$2.50

Handkerchiefs for Fred

Oh for a handkerchief when you haven't got one! Keep Fred with his supply of handkerchiefs. His appreciation will well repay you for such a timely gift. Boxed in lots from three to one dozen. Boxes from

\$1.25 to \$3.00



Cape Gloves for Percy

For street wear every day, every man needs cape gloves. We will exchange any sizes not just right. We want to help suit. These are at, per pair

\$1.50 to \$5.00



Silk Hose for Dan

Just a few pairs will make any Dan happy. Few articles of men's wear come in more handy than silk hose, and they represent about the most sensible gift. Priced from

75c to \$2.50



Cashmere Hose for Tom

Tom brings out doors a lot, will appreciate cashmere hose. If you look back, it's the useful thing that you remember, and the giver you thank each time. These are only

85c to \$1.50



Umbrella for Henry

Sterling or gold mounted umbrellas are not the kind that are lost every day because the owner takes care of such a gift. Here at

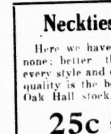
\$2.00 to \$6.50



Gloves for Albert

Certain social events call for suede gloves. If Al is one of the boys about town he will appreciate a pair or two of these gloves, silk lined.

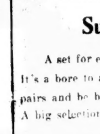
\$1.50 to \$4.50



Neckties for Harry

Here we have a selection second to none; better than many, covering every style and color imaginable. The quality is the best, and is dependable Oak Hall stock. Priced from

25c to \$4.50



Suspenders for Bill

A set for every pair of trousers is what a man wants. It's a bore to a man to change suspenders. Give two pairs and be blessed for it.

A big selection from **50c UP**

Sweater for David

David will jump for joy if Christmas morning he finds some good friend has sent him a V-neck Sweater. They are just as acceptable to Dad. From

\$2.50 to \$15

SPECIAL POLICE
DESCRIBE RIOT
AT WINNIPEG

V. C. Winner Did Not Remember Being Pulled From Horse.

MISSILES THROWN

Crowd "Booted" First, Then Used Guns, Bottles, Stones.

Winnipeg, Dec. 11.—Sergeant F. G. Coppins, who won the Victoria Cross in the great war and who got two ribs broken in the course of the riot at the corner of Portage and Main streets, June 10, was one of the witnesses called by the Crown at the trial today of H. H. Russell, charged with sedition conspiracy. He told the court that bottles and stones were thrown by people in the crowd, that he was hit in the ribs, and that the horse was hit by something and ran away. Under cross-examination, Sergeant Coppins asserted that an evening paper's report of the affair so far as he was concerned, was false, and that he had not been pulled down at all.

Captain Dundas of Calgary, who was in charge of the squadron of special mounted police detailed to keep order on the streets, took the crowd at the corner of Portage and Main as being extremely hostile, of the missiles that were thrown, and of what he claimed to be the necessity for charging through the throng as the only means of clearing the streets for traffic. The statement in the article is later stated that Sergeant Coppins had been repaid by the police for the trouble he had been through, that the special police were returned soldiers who had been in the infantry, artillery and cavalry, and that they, incidentally, Major, Staff captains and lieutenants.

Desirous of making out that the Victoria Cross hero had not been pulled from his horse and kicked, Mr. McCutcheon asked Captain Dundas if he would be surprised to find that Sergeant Coppins had positively denied this. Captain Dundas replied that he would not be surprised, but that he was not conscious of that. Sergeant Coppins said that the special police had been for the defense, a remark that brought the report, "Sergeant Coppins would not know that he was unconscious."

Another special police witness was J. W. Ogden, who testified to being fired by people in the crowd that had gathered in the neighborhood of the corner of Portage and Main, June 10, did not come with rifles and swords armed for battle, that the special police had just been greeted with "boo's," that naturally a "special" hit a man on the head with a baton that man would resist, but he maintained that the police had not drawn their clubs until missiles had been thrown.

Mr. McCutcheon's reason for the line of cross-examination had been taken in an attempt to prove that the crowd was setting without any organization, and that the police had made when the Lordship remarked that the extent of the riot was not so serious as the connection of the accused with it. A. Findlay, Superintendent of the water works, described the reduction in water pressure to 70 pounds during the first stages of the strike. W. McLaughlin and Harold Mannion, who had volunteered to accompany delivery men for a department store, described hostile demonstrations against them by strike sympathizers. Mannion fell from a horse after the crowd had unbalanced it from the rig and broke his leg. F. Coulter said his leg had been stepped on by a crowd of women. Mr. Justice McCrellish observed that women would have to be questioned when they go on strike, or assume the same responsibility as men.

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PROFITEERING
IS NOT COMMON
Less Than Believed, Says Commerce Board.
Can and Will Punish the Offenders.

Winnipeg, Dec. 11.—The Board of Commerce has issued a written statement upon its report. The board is pleased to be able to observe as a result of its preliminary survey of business conditions that, despite high prices, unduly prevailing upon the public, and that, in the taking of unjust profits is not, in the present opinion, as common, nor nearly so common, as may have been charged or claimed. Business is in the main sound and honest, and the board has a confident hope that honest men will be as the board's right hand, in the now limited business of tracing and punishing those among them who, according to the new business ethics of this era, have disowned their better natures.

CABINET CONFERENCES ON
THE TARIFF ARE BEGUN

Exchange Rate Complicates Case—Not Much Change Next Parliament

May Cancel Ministerial Tour, and Let
Commerce Board Investigate

Ottawa, Dec. 11.—Although there have been a number of informal pourparlers over the tariff question, the first important cabinet conference on the question will take place to-morrow. During the Budget debate this year Sir Thomas White promised that a sub-committee of the cabinet would make a tariff investigation before the 1920 session, but since then the appointment of a new Minister of Finance, the holding of a second session and the general world conditions have led to a change of thought.

A BANNER LODGE

L. O. L. 2292 Made a Very Good Showing.

The annual meeting of the L. O. L. 2292 took place in Parr's Hall on Tuesday evening. A large number of the members being present. District Master J. B. Ingh was present to inaugurate the officers for the ensuing year. He was assisted by Past Master Prout, Bro. Wallace and Bro. Henry. The following officers were elected: Wor. Master J. Jamieson; Deputy Master J. Ingh; Chaplain F. Leigh; Recording Secretary W. Hughes; Treasurer Second Levantur; D. Baines; Director of Ceremonies G. Porter; Committee J. Parker, T. James, J. S. Todd, V. Carlisle; Inside Tyler, G. Lange; Auditors, W. H. Smith and W. H. Porter; Senior Physician, Dr. E. C. Syer. The officer's report was very satisfactory, showing the lodge to be in a flourishing condition. It was a record year for memberships. District Master Ingh said at the close of the meeting that L. O. L. 2292 had the largest percentage of members for the District of Hamilton.

Canadian Pacific Change in Train Service

On and after Sunday, December 14th, train No. 20, leaving Toronto for Hamilton at 7:30 a.m., will run daily and train No. 21, leaving Toronto for Hamilton at 9:15 a.m., will run daily except Sunday.

"Isn't Newsweek's wife rather fond of an argument?" "If she? Why, that woman is no fond of an argument she won't even eat anything that agrees with her."—Boston Transcript.

SATURDAY MORNING DECEMBER 13TH AT 8.30 SHARP

ACT!

Blue stripe, reg. \$2.00, \$2.50 ... ~~\$2.00~~
Black big Overalls, Regular \$2.00 to \$2.50, **\$1.50**

3-15 James Streer North

Modifications of the Silhouette.



Seal Brown Velvet Banded in Sealskin Embroidered in a Slightly Lighter Shade and Worn Over a Slip of Black Satin. Hat of Brown Trimmed with Monkey Fur.
From Franklin Simon & Co. Photo by Underwood & Underwood.



Wrap of Moleskin on Dolman Lines with Large Collar.
From B. Schlick. Photo by Joel Feder.



Suit of Brown Duvetine with the Cuffs and Lower Section of the Jacket Embroidered in Brown Braid.
Photo by Joel Feder.



Travel Wrap of Maroon Color Cloth with Large Collar and Narrow Patent Leather Belt.
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Black Velvet Hat Embellished with Paradise Branching from the Brim Above and Below.
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Paris Hat Showing the Enlarged Crown. It Is in Cream Color and Brown, with Brown Outrich.
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Gray Serge with Apron in Pink Tucks and Embellishment of Lingerie.
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Black Velvet. Bodice Embroidered and Skirt Trimmed with Monkey Fur.
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